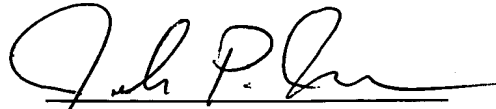


REMARKS

By the foregoing amendments, claims 1-6, 11-13 and 19 are pending in the captioned application. An action on the merits is awaited by Applicants. Should there be any question, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,



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